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Inside this comic you'll find two brand new adventures with your favorite friends from Nickelodeon's *Avatar: The Last Airbender* and *The Legend of Korra*! First, Tenzin relates the tale of a fight he had as a youngster, and what the confrontation helped him discover about his Air Nomad heritage. But will that lesson work for Jinora, Ikki, and Milo? In our second story, Uncle Iroh's tea shop is the center of some strange spirit activity! Humans and spirits together give Iroh the push he needs to do something exciting that's outside his normal comfort zone! It's a fun-filled double feature of laughs and lessons for *Avatar* and *Korra* fans of all ages!

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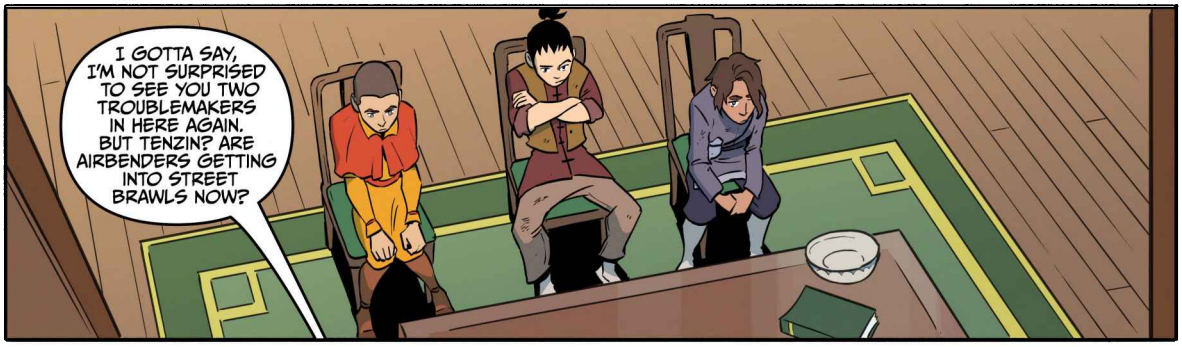
CLEARING THE AIR
BAM
WHAT IS GOING ON?!

IKKI TORE YOUR SCROLL!
IT WAS AN ACCIDENT!!
TELL THAT TO THE METALBENDING POLICE WHEN THEY COME TO TAKE YOU TO JAIL.
ENOUGH! SIT DOWN, ALL OF YOU.
I'M GOING TO TELL YOU A STORY FROM MY CHILDHOOD.
I THINK I'D RATHER GO TO JAIL.
I'M PRETENDING I DIDN'T HEAR THAT.
THIS HAPPENED WHEN I WAS JUST A FEW YEARS OLDER THAN YOU, JINORA...

LOOK! IS THAT SMOKE?
GIVE THIS ONE A MUSTACHE!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
STOP! STOP THAT!
HA HA HA HA HA!

SPLISH
WHOOSH
CRASH

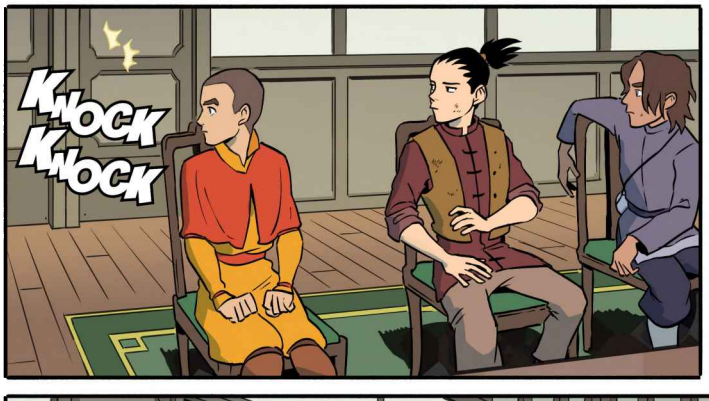
FSHHH
WSHH
ZZZZIP
ALL RIGHT, THAT'S ENOUGH.
WAIT, ISN'T THIS THE AVATAR'S KID?
CHIEF BEIFONG IS GONNA WANT TO SEE THIS.


I GOTTA SAY, I'M NOT SURPRISED TO SEE YOU TWO TROUBLEMAKERS IN HERE AGAIN. BUT TENZIN? ARE AIRBENDERS GETTING INTO STREET BRAWLS NOW?

AS MUCH AS I LOVE A GOOD FIGHT, YOU KIDS BROKE THE LAW, AND COULD HAVE BROKEN SOME BONES TOO IF MY OFFICERS HADN'T STEPPED IN.

CHIEF BEIFONG, THEY WERE DEFACING OUR AIRBENDING GATES!
THEY'RE CENTURIES OLD, AND THESE TWO...THESE... *JERKS* WERE BURNING THEM! I COULDN'T LET THEM JUST GET AWAY WITH IT!

I SEE. BUT RATHER THAN REPORT IT TO US, YOU THOUGHT YOU'D DO A LITTLE VIGILANTE JUSTICE?
I--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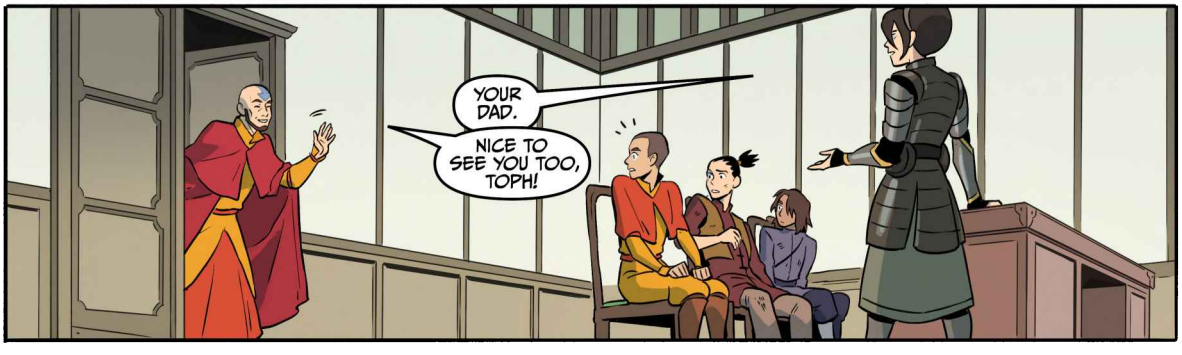
AH GOOD, JUST WHAT WE NEED.


YOUR DAD.
NICE TO SEE YOU TOO, TOPH!

YOUR DEPUTY FILLED ME IN ON WHAT HAPPENED. I'M SORRY FOR TENZIN'S PART IN THIS, WE'LL OF COURSE PAY FOR ANY PUBLIC PROPERTY THAT MAY HAVE BEEN DAMAGED.
DON'T WORRY YOUR PRETTY BALD HEAD, NOTHING WAS DAMAGED BUT YOUR GATES.
AS FOR THE FIGHT, I'M LETTING TENZIN OFF WITH A WARNING. WE GO EASY ON FIRST-TIME OFFENDERS, UNLIKE THESE TWO--
--WHO WILL BE SPENDING THE NIGHT IN THE SLAMMER.
HOLD ON.
IF THEY'VE ONLY DAMAGED AIR NATION PROPERTY, THEY'RE IN OUR JURISDICTION. I'D APPRECIATE YOUR LETTING ME TAKE THESE KIDS BACK TO AIR TEMPLE ISLAND NOW.
WHY DO YOU DELIGHT IN UNDERMINING MY AUTHORITY, TWINKLE TOES?
IT'S JUST MY FAVORITE PART OF OUR COMPLICATED FRIENDSHIP!
ALL ABOARD!

WE'RE REALLY SORRY, MR. AVATAR!
PLEASE DON'T TAKE AWAY OUR BENDING!

I WOULD NEVER--
I WOULD NEVER DO THAT TO CHILDREN, OVER SOME GRAFFITI. I PROMISE YOU'RE NOT IN THAT MUCH TROUBLE.
THERE'S AN AIR NATION TRADITION I'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU, THAT'S ALL.
WE'LL HAVE YOU HOME BY DINNER.

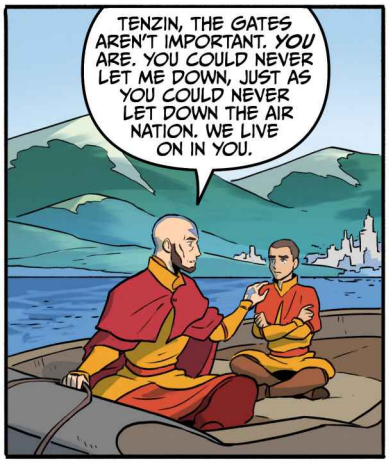
WHAT IF THEY MESS UP THE SADDLE! OR, WHAT IF THEY HURT APPA!

THAT'S NOT FAIR, TENZIN. THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VANDALISM AND ACTUALLY HARMING A LIVING BEING. NOW COME ON UP, PLEASE.

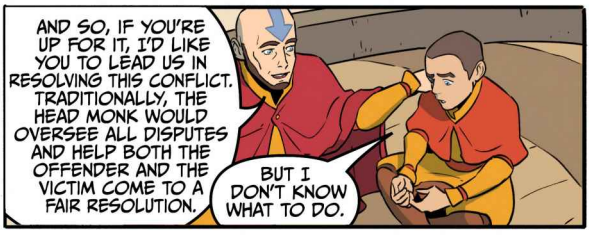
APPA, YIP YIP!

SO--
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE GOING TO JUST LET THEM GET AWAY WITH EVERYTHING!
I KNOW YOU'RE GONNA TELL ME THIS IS WHY I HAVEN'T EARNED MY ARROWS, BECAUSE I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO GET ANGRY OR USE MY BENDING TO ATTACK, EVEN WHEN THEY DESERVE IT!

THEY DESERVED IT! AND I'M SUPPOSED TO KEEP AIR NATION CULTURE ALIVE, BUT BECAUSE OF THEM I COULDN'T EVEN PROTECT THE AIRBENDING GATES.


TENZIN, THE GATES AREN'T IMPORTANT. YOU ARE. YOU COULD NEVER LET ME DOWN, JUST AS YOU COULD NEVER LET DOWN THE AIR NATION. WE LIVE ON IN YOU.

I'M SORRY THAT YOU HAVE TO BEAR THAT RESPONSIBILITY, BUT I TRUST YOU WHOLEHEARTEDLY WITH IT.

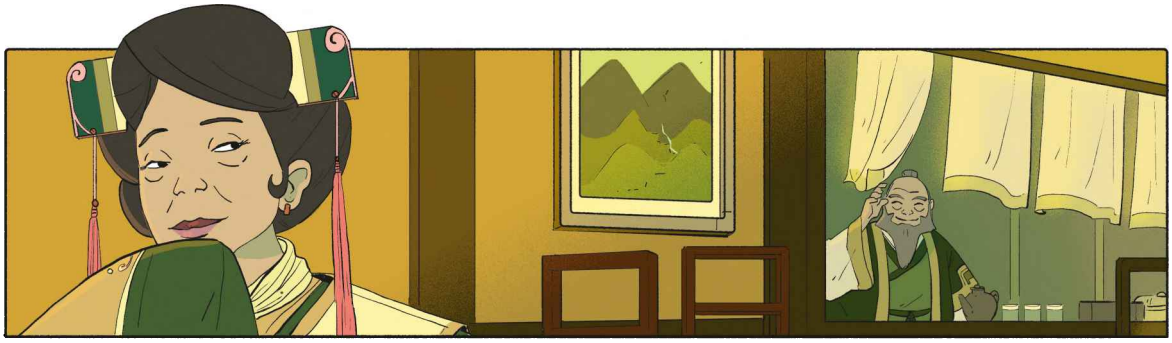

AND SO, IF YOU'RE UP FOR IT, I'D LIKE YOU TO LEAD US IN RESOLVING THIS CONFLICT. TRADITIONALLY, THE HEAD MONK WOULD OVERSEE ALL DISPUTES AND HELP BOTH THE OFFENDER AND THE VICTIM COME TO A FAIR RESOLUTION.
BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO.

I'LL GUIDE YOU THROUGH IT.

IN THE AIR NATION, WHEN SOMEONE WRONGED ANOTHER PERSON, THE GUILTY PARTY WASN'T PUT BEHIND BARS. INSTEAD, AN ELDER MONK WOULD CALL THE VICTIM AND THE OFFENDER TO MEET. THE VICTIM BEGAN BY EXPRESSING HOW THEY WERE HARMED AND WHAT THEY NEEDED IN ORDER TO HEAL.
THEN THE OFFENDER WOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO APOLOGIZE AND SUGGEST WAYS TO MAKE AMENDS.
ONCE EVERYONE FELT HEARD AND RESPECTED, THE MONK WOULD LEAD THE GROUP THROUGH A RECIRCULATION RITUAL.
EVERYONE TOOK PART IN CLEANSING THE AIR.
IT WAS AN ACT OF PURIFICATION...
A WAY TO RESTORE BALANCE TO ONE'S SPIRIT --
-- AND TO THE COMMUNITY.

I WISH IT WAS ALWAYS THIS EASY TO KEEP THE PEACE.
YES...BUT HE'S YOUNG. LET HIM HAVE THE EASY ONES FOR NOW.
AND LOOK, HE MADE FRIENDS.
STOP IT!
I'M CLEANSING THE AIR!
IT'S NOT YOUR TURN, I'M THE LEADER!
UHH, WHAT HAPPENED HERE?
THE PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF A CONFLICT.
THE END

MATCHA MAKERS
PHEW...
FENG, YOU CAN TAKE OFF THAT APRON AND HEAD HOME FOR THE NIGHT.
ARE YOU SURE? THERE'S STILL ONE MORE CUSTOMER LEFT.
DON'T WORRY, YOU GET SOME REST. OR GO OUT AND ENJOY THE NIGHTLIFE! YOU HAVE BETTER PLACES TO BE.
THANK YOU, MR. IROH.



ANYTHING ELSE I CAN GET FOR YOU?
OH, NO, THANK YOU. I'M SORRY FOR KEEPING YOU PAST CLOSING, I WAS JUST ENJOYING THIS TEA SO MUCH. I WANTED TO SAVOR IT.
PLEASE, NO APOLOGIES NECESSARY. I'M JUST HAPPY OUR TEA BROUGHT YOU SUCH PLEASURE.

IT'S NOT ONLY THE TEA...

I...I MEAN...
YOU REALLY HAVE A SPECIAL SHOP HERE.
HAHA, I CAN'T TAKE ALL THE CREDIT. I HAVE SOME WONDERFUL HELPERS.
AND, OF COURSE, EXCELLENT REPEAT CUSTOMERS.

I'M LI-MEI.
IROH.
YES, I KNOW.
WELL, I'M *PLEASED* TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINTANCE, LI-MEI.

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU HAVE SOME TEA LEAVES AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR CUP. MAY I?
OF COURSE.
HM...IT LOOKS LIKE A SWAN.
A SWAN SYMBOLIZES GOOD LUCK, AND A NEW LOVE.
I CERTAINLY HOPE SO.
I'D BETTER GET GOING. UNTIL NEXT TIME?
I'LL BE HERE!
RING

HELLO AGAIN, FRIENDS.

I HAVE SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR YOU ALL TODAY.
I CALL IT THE WHITE LOTUS TILE. IT'S A PALE TEA, VERY DELICATE, BUT LAYERED WITH SWEETNESS, COMPLEXITY, AND STRENGTH.

REMINDS ME OF SOMEONE I JUST MET, ACTUALLY...
AH, BUT THOSE DAYS ARE LONG BEHIND ME.

I'VE LIVED A LONG LIFE, WITH MANY CHALLENGES BUT ALSO MANY VICTORIES. I'VE FINALLY REACHED A PLACE WHERE I'M CONTENT.
NOT MANY PEOPLE ARE LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE SUCH FORTUNE. AND IT'S A FOOLISH PERSON WHO ASKS FOR MORE WHEN HE ALREADY HAS SO MUCH.
PERHAPS... IT'S BEST TO LEAVE THINGS AS THEY ARE, NOW.

OH, IT'S THAT WOMAN AGAIN. SHE MUST HAVE LIKED THE TEA.
REALLY?
I MEAN...
COULD YOU TEND TO HER? I NEED TO GET SOMETHING FROM THE BACK.
AHH! I'M SO SORRY!
NOT AT ALL, MY DEAR. ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
YES, THANK YOU.
I'M--
PLEASE, DON'T CONCERN YOURSELF. THESE THINGS HAPPEN.
I'LL COME BACK WITH A NEW CUP OF TEA FOR OUR LOVELY CUSTOMER HERE. YOU TAKE A BREAK.

Stir
Stir
HERE WE ARE.
IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN.
WELL, THIS IS QUICKLY BECOMING MY FAVORITE SPOT IN BA SING SE. THE BEST TEA IN THE CITY, HANDS DOWN.
OH MY, AND WITH GORGEOUS TEA ART I SEE.
WHAT'S THAT?
AHAHAHA, FENG MUST HAVE BEEN PRACTICING HER SKILLS!
YES, YES, PLEASE ENJOY.
HMMM...

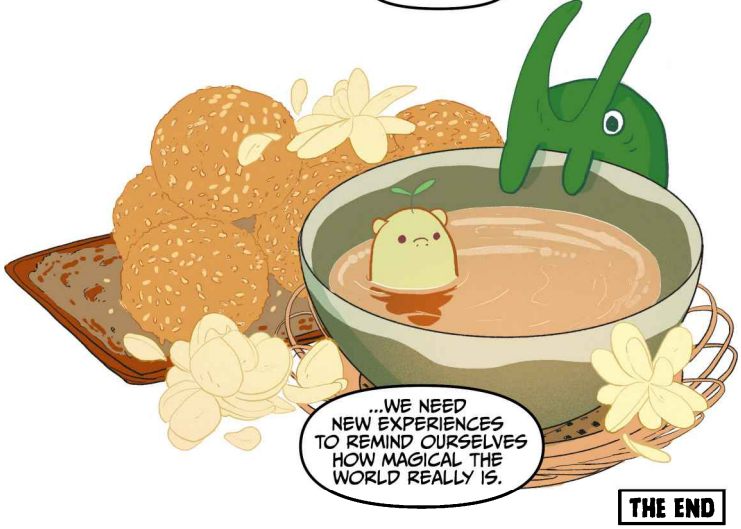
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, LITTLE FRIENDS?
WHA--
NO, I CAN'T! LISTEN, FRIENDS, I KNOW YOU THINK YOU'RE TRYING TO HELP, BUT I REALLY AM CONTENT ALONE.
永国城里最浪漫的餐馆
TRANSLATION: THE MOST ROMANTIC DINNER IN BA SING SE!
HEY, COME NOW!
IROH?
UHH...THE CUSTOMER WANTS...MORE TEA...
I'LL GET RIGHT ON IT. YOU, UM... WHY DON'T YOU CHECK ON THE TEA LEAVES WE HAVE AGING DOWNSTAIRS?
JUST...STAY BACK HERE, YES?
NO MISBEHAVIOR IN FRONT OF LI-MEI, PLEASE?

HELLO AGAIN!
ENJOYING THE WEATHER?
ERM... YES!
WELL, I SUPPOSE IT'S GETTING LATE...
STOP!
IS EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT?
OH YES, IT'S JUST THAT I...I...
YES...?
WOBBLE
WOULD YOU LIKE TO ACCOMPANY ME TO A LATE DINNER??

I THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER ASK.
REALLY?
I...I'M HONORED TO HAVE YOUR COMPANY. LET ME JUST CLOSE UP.

FENG, I--
I HEARD. DON'T WORRY, I CAN FINISH UP HERE. YOU HAVE BETTER PLACES TO BE.
THANK YOU, FENG. YOU'RE A TRULY KIND AND LOVELY YOUNG LADY.

AND TO YOU, MY LITTLE FRIENDS...
THANK YOU FOR PUSHING A STUBBORN OLD MAN OUTSIDE HIS COMFORT ZONE.
JUST DON'T THREATEN MY SHOP NEXT TIME!
I'VE NEVER BEEN TO THIS RESTAURANT. HAVE YOU?
NO, NO. BUT THEY DO SAY VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE.
AND SOMETIMES...


...WE NEED NEW EXPERIENCES TO REMIND OURSELVES HOW MAGICAL THE WORLD REALLY IS.

THE END